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Freaks of Lightning.
Perhaps the most curious accompaniment of a lightning shock is the stripping off of the clothes. This appears to be very common. A writer describes a case in which a man was struck by lightning while standing by a willow tree. Immediately afterward his boots were found at the foot of the tree and the man was lying on his back two yards off, absolutely naked except for part of the left arm of his flannel vest. He was conscious, but much burned, and left leg was broken. The field around was strewn with fragments of the clothes, torn from top to bottom. The boots were partly torn.

Flammarion mentions a case in 1898 in which three women were standing around a reaping machine, when one of them was struck by lightning and killed; the two others were uninjured, but they were stripped absolutely naked, even their boots being removed.
It has been suggested that the stripping of the clothes is caused by the rapid formation of steam. When trees are struck the bark is frequently torn off, probably by the electricity passing between it and the wood. It is not unreasonable to imagine that the same explanation applies to the removal of clothes.

Little less remarkable is the shaving effect that is sometimes seen. Two men who were in a windmill were struck by lightning. They were both rendered dead, and the hair, beard, and eyebrows were burned. A woman who was struck had the hair of her head completely removed. Sometimes the hair returns and sometimes the part is permanently bald. In a case at Krugersdrop bones were broken, and a few other similar cases are recorded. Probably in some of them the fracture was caused by the fall. Flammarion mentions a case in which eight sheep were struck. All their bones had been broken as though crushed in a mortar. The fall would not account for this.

When an electric current is passed through a number of persons holding hands it is generally felt most by those at the end of the chain, and several cases have been recorded, in which only those which may be called the terminals of a series of animals are damaged. Five horses in a line received a stroke of lightning; only the first and last were killed. On another occasion five horses in a stable were struck; the only animal to escape death was the horse in the centre.

Several remarkable accounts have been recorded where alternate animals of a series have been killed. During a storm in 1901 lightning entered a stable where there were twenty cows and it killed ten of them. The first, the third, and so on were killed, while the second, fourth, and so on survived. It is certainly difficult to explain cases such as these, but it would be unwise to deny the possibility of their occurrence.

Cases of complete incineration are not rare, but more remarkable are the instances in which the body of a man killed by lightning has appeared to be unaltered, but when touched it has crumbled to dust. In 1838 three soldiers took shelter under a tree and a stroke of lightning killed them all, but they all remained standing, and even their clothes appeared to be in tact, but when touched the bodies fell into a heap of ashes.

The lower animals appear to be more liable to be struck than

human beings. A whole herd of cattle or sheep may be destroyed by lightning. Two hundred and sixteen sheep out of 388 have been struck, and on one occasion 2,000 goats are said to have been destroyed at one time. In a storm cattle and sheep herd together, and this fact probably increases their danger.

Representations of surrounding objects are sometimes said to have been imprinted on the victim's skin by a lightning discharge. Nearly always the picture is that of a tree and may be merely a branching mark made by the electricity. —Lancet.

A Thrilling Rescue.
How Bert R. Lean, of Cheny, Wash., was saved from a frightful death is a story to thrill the world. "A hard cold," he writes, "brought on a desperate lung trouble that baffled an expert doctor here. Then I paid \$10 to \$15 a visit to a lung specialist in Spokane who did not help me. Then I went to California, but without benefit. At last I used Dr. King's New Discovery, which completely cured me and now I am as well as ever." For lung trouble, bronchitis, coughs and colds, asthma, croup and whooping cough it's supreme. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free. Guaranteed by all druggists.

The shepherds of the present day are not always as brave as the shepherds of olden times. This week, a shepherd whose flock belongs to one of the churches in town went out to visit one of the sheep of his flock, but when he reached the gate he was met by a goat of the masculine gender. The shepherd felt icicles crawling up his back and ingloriously fled for a more southern clime, leaving the sheep of his flock to the tender mercies of the goat. —Wilkesboro Chronicle.

Women Who Are Envious.
Those attractive women who are lovely in face, form and temper, are the envy of many, who might be like them. A weak, sickly woman will be irritable. Constipation or kidney poisons show in pimples, blotches, skin eruptions and a wretched complexion. For all such, Electric Bitters work wonders. They regulate stomach, liver and kidneys, purify the blood, give strong nerves, bright eyes, pure breath, smooth, velvety skin, lovely complexion. Many charming women owe their health and beauty to them. 50c at all druggists.

Case for Alarm.
An elderly patient in the Tennessee mountains was ill and the doctor prescribed medicine in the form of capsules.

Soon the old woman arose from bed and took her seat in a rocking chair. Thinking the attention would be gratefully received, her son filled her pipe, and taking a live coal from the hearth, carried both to his mother.

"Take that away, son!" yelled the old woman in the utmost fright. "Don't you know better to come near me when I've got them cartridges in me?"

A week ago yesterday a fine crop of oats was standing in a field on Solicitor Robinson's farm in the eastern suburbs of the town. Since that time the oats have been harvested, hauled in and cotton seed planted where stood the grain, and now the cotton is breaking through the ground, coming to a perfect stand. —Wadesboro Messenger and Intelligencer.

Children Cry
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Angels in the Kitchen.
Christian Advocate.
When the Lord saw Elijah in the wilderness tired, jaded, discouraged, praying for death, He sent an angel to prepare a good meal for the prophet to strengthen him. He could not go until he had been refreshed by a whole meal. Think of an angel coming from heaven to cook a meal for a tired man. What better business could an angel be about in this mundane sphere?

Some men and women despise the kitchen. They see nothing in it but grime, and soot, and soiled dishes and pots, and disagreeable odors from cooking food, and the glowing fire that raises the temperature to an insufferable degree, trying to the last limit the temper of all those who dare to venture there. Yet the kitchen is one of the principal and most honorable workshops of the world. It is there the work is done which must build up a race of strong and vigorous men and women. It is more important than the hospital, or the bank, or the factory, or the commercial house; and even the school and college cannot make mighty men and women of our boys and girls without good kitchens back of them. Yet some think anything will do in the kitchen. They do not think that anything will do in the hospital, in the bank, in the school or in the factory. We need trained service, skilled workmen there, the very best.

Why are children unfit for the tasks of the school? There may be various reasons. The physician will make it as easy for the rents as possible by telling them that the child's brain is too active for his body and he must be taken out of school; but if the truth were known the trouble might be traced to the kitchen in nine cases out of ten. Why have men and women, sunken cheeks, hollow eyes, shattered nerves, impaired digestion and low vitality? Perhaps some of the trouble is due to overwork, but the secret is also largely in the kitchen. Dr. Ostler, in an address delivered before the graduating class of Johns Hopkins University several years ago said: "The besetting sin of America is dyspepsia, and the cause of it is hot bread in the South and pie in the North." Then he added, what is certainly not universally applicable: "The American women should take a day off and learn to cook." But how can they so long as they see no angel in the kitchen to help?

There are angels in the kitchen, but few see them. The eyes of Elijah's servant were hidden that he could not see the horses and chariots of fire encamped around about the prophet for his protection. If our eyes were open we should see shining messengers from celestial plains where now we see nothing but soot and grime. Angels are not ashamed of the exalted ministry of the kitchen. The Lord sent His angel into the den to stop the mouths of the lions that Daniel might not be hurt; but thousands are hurt by bad cooking where one is hurt by lions. The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear Him and delivereth them. There are perils in the wilderness, and perils in the sea, and perils in the city, requiring the guardian care of angels, but where is there greater peril than in the kitchen? A thoughtful physician once said: "Most of the divorces, most of the crimes that disgrace the pages of history, most of the ailments of men and women, can be traced to the table." And the table is furnished

from the kitchen.
We boast of our civilization, but we do well to withhold our boasting until the kitchen shall no longer be despised and neglected. We make our Christianity too narrow. It reaches everything that pertains to man. The sanctification which it provides belongs to the whole body, soul and spirit [in their right order of preference.]

A Tailor Air Sailer.
A young North Carolinian is coming to the front as a rival of the Wright brothers and other aerial Navigators. Says the St. Louis Globe Democrat:

"St. Louis is soon to have a flying machine, which if the claims of the inventors are well founded, promises to achieve results in navigation approaching those of the Wright brothers. The inventors are A. B. Cole, 80 years old, president of the A. B. C. Motor Vehicle Manufacturing Company, 3915 Morgan Street, and his sales manager, E. A. Levy, one year his senior.

They have nearly completed what is known to aviation as a two plane aeroplane. It is constructed somewhat along the lines of the Wright aeroplane and also embodies features of Santos Dumont's monoplane.

The construction of the flyer was begun only two months ago and will be ready for its trip as a glider, without a motor or other means of propulsion next Friday or Saturday. If it is successful as a glider and behaves well in the face of a wind then a gasoline engine will be attached and its real destiny decided.

"The weight of the machine without the motor is approximately 50 pounds. It will cost the inventors when it is finished in the neighborhood of \$500.

"Mr. Levy yesterday christened the machine the St. Louis Flyer. The aeroplane has been built in a shop at 3915 Morgan Street."

Mr. Cole is from Richmond county. The Rockingham Post says that "of course everybody in Rockingham remembers 'Bled' Cole, who is succeeded so well in St. Louis." It also states that Mr. H. C. Dockery is now in St. Louis and will remain there to witness the first trial of Messrs. Cole and Levy's flying machine. Mr. Cole's efforts as a flyer will be watched with great interest by North Carolinians, who wish him success with his invention. —Mountain Scout.

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Much is being said and written nowadays about Mr. Taft's smile, which is evidently of the four-in-hand variety. But who is it that doesn't admire the man who constantly wears an unaffected smile? Deliver us from the individual whose habitual expression is that of chief mourner in a funeral procession. His very shadow has a gloomy aspect, and he imparts a mild case of the blues to every one with whom he comes in contact. It makes one shiver even to think about him. On the other hand, the man who unwillingly wears a pleasant smile inspires you with confidence, unconsciously draws you nearer to him, makes you feel that he can be trusted. —Lancet.

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